

Purpose

Frequently Asked Questions

Question	Answer
What are you looking for?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC)• Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)• Discarded Military Munitions• Explosive Munitions Constituents (MC)
What was Mountian Home AFR No. 1 used for?	Mountian Home AFR No. 1, consisting of 2,564.22 acres in Owyhee County, Idaho, was originally undeveloped land belonging to the Department of Interior (DOI). The land was acquired from the DOI by Public Land Order 172 on September 7, 1943. Acquired land included an access road that extended from the southwest corner of the range to the Poison Creek Cutoff road located to the southwest. The range consisted of a 3,000-foot radius circle with the bombing target at the center of the circle. The site was used as a high altitude bombing range from 1944 to 1953. From 1953 to 1958, the site remained under control of the U.S. air Force but was not used as a bombing range. The range was retransferred to the DOI by Public Land Order 1898 on July 13, 1959. Ownership of the land has remained with the DOI, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), since relinquishment by the U.S. Air Force.
Why is the U.S. Army Corps of	The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for Department of Defense environmental programs on former lands. In the late 1980s the

Engineers involved?	Formerly Used Defense Site program was initiated. The Corps has conducted several activities actions leading to the current project.
What prompted the current Site Investigation?	In 2002 (National Defense Authorization Act), Congress required DoD to create an inventory of defense sites known or suspected of containing munitions or munitions constituents. DoD will prioritize the nationwide sites needing action and provide Congress with a response plan. All the Site Inspections need to be completed by the year 2010.
How many sites are you inspecting?	Nationwide, DoD has identified over 3,300 sites with the following breakdown. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active installations (1,333) • Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) (318) • Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) (1,658)
What is the goal of the Site Inspections?	To determine if munitions or munitions constituents are present.
What are the possible outcomes after completion of the SI?	Possible Outcomes of an SI are the elimination of a site from further action or identify the need for further investigation.
What if there is a need for further investigation?	If there is a need to investigate further work may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remedial Investigation (RI) • Feasibility Study (FS) • Determine need for a time-critical removal action

How will the SI information be used if further work is needed?	SI provides information needed for EPA's Hazard Ranking System for National Priorities List (Superfund) sites. DoD will use the information for a new Munitions Response Site Prioritization Protocol.
What all is involved in the Site Inspection process?	The process begins with a review of available data, what we already know. Next a Technical Project Planning (TPP) is developed followed by a work plan, actual field work and finally a final report summarizing all activities.
What is the Technical Project Plan?	The TPP is developed by meeting with stakeholders (regulators, property owners, local businesses, etc) and identifying their issues concerns. Identifying Areas of Concern (AOCs) at the former camp, reviewing site information, verifying current and future land use. The TPP will develop a Conceptual Site Model, Identify Data Gaps and Data Objectives. Finally all parties will concur on a field work approach.
What types of munitions were used at Mountian Home AFR No. 1?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 pound General Purpose High Explosive Bombs • 100 pound Practice Bombs • Spotting Charges • Bomb Train Fuzes • Bomb Nose Fuzes
What other activities were there at Mountian Home AFR No. 1?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None identified at this time
What other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate of Clearance was issued for Mountian Home AFR No. 1 on June 13,

work has been done on the Mountian Home AFR No. 1?	1957 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inventory Project Report (USACE, 1988)• Archives Search Report (USACE, 2004a)• INPR Supplement (USACE, 2004b)
Have munitions been found in the area?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small Arms
What will the Corps be inspecting?	The Corps' contractor will be taking samples of soil, surface water and sediment, and groundwater.
Will the Site Inspection involve heavy equipment?	The SI will be non intrusive type of reconnaissance. The process will be visual and with the use of Magnetometers. The SI will be done by trained Unexploded Ordinance Experts. Their goal will be to avoid UXO, select samples and evaluate munitions.
Where will they get their samples from?	The will be getting samples from shallow soils, surface water/sediment and groundwater (existing wells).

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